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MEA BRIEF.

SUBJECT: MIDDLE EAST BRIEF OCPAS MEA [ ] FOR 08 JUNE 1988.

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[ ] IRAN REINFORCING NORTH MAJNOON ISLAND WITH ARMOR, ARTILLERY . . . FLOODING SOME AREAS TO HINDER IRAQI ATTACK . . . IRAQ INCREASING ARMOR TRAINING, MOVING UP ARTILLERY BATTALIONS, PROBABLY FOR OFFENSIVE TO RETAKE ISLAND. [ ]

[ ] IRAN'S AYATOLLAH MONTAZERI, KHOMEINI'S DESIGNATED SUCCESSOR, SUGGESTED MONDAY THAT ASSEMBLY SPEAKER RAFSANJANI, RECENTLY MADE COMMANDER IN CHIEF, GIVE UP OTHER POSTS . . . CHALLENGE PROBABLY WILL NOT RESTRICT RAFSANJANI'S FREEDOM OF ACTION. [ ]

[ ] EGYPTIAN PRESIDENT MUBARAK IN IRAQ YESTERDAY ON SUDDEN VISIT . . . COINCIDED WITH OPENING OF ARAB SUMMIT IN ALGERIA . . . SIGNALING ARAB LEADERS THAT, DESPITE EXCLUSION FROM ARAB LEAGUE, EGYPT HAS IMPORTANT ARAB FRIENDS, ROLE IN ARAB SECURITY. [ ]

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